



RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2841
Docket No.: 1087.1013

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Bennett et al.

Serial No. 09/864,356

Group Art Unit: 2841

Confirmation No. 4093

Filed: May 25, 2001

Examiner: R. Gibson

For: ARTICLE HANDLING SYSTEM

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 18, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on October 18, 2003. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to November 18, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Applicants request entry of this Rule 116 Amendment because it is believed that the amendment of claims 3, 5, 21-22, 35, 37-38, 41-44, 47 and 49-50 puts these claims into condition for allowance as suggested by the Examiner.

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**REPLY/AMENDMENT
FEE TRANSMITTAL**

Attorney Docket No.	1087.1013
Application Number	09/864,356
Filing Date	May 25, 2001
First Named Inventor	Bennett et al.
Group Art Unit	2841

AMOUNT ENCLOSED	1314.00	Examiner Name	R. Gibson
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FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	72	- 72 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	37	- 23 =	14	X \$ 86.00 =	1204.00

Since an Official Action set an original due date of October 18, 2003, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months (\$1,480); 5 months (\$2,010)):

110.00

If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$320.00)

If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)

Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)

Total of above Calculations =

\$ 1314.00

Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)

TOTAL FEES DUE =

\$ 1314.00

(1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0".

(2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".

(4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".

(5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".

METHOD OF PAYMENT

- ☒ Check enclosed as payment.
- ☐ Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below.
- ☐ No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date).

GENERAL AUTHORIZATION

- ☒ If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to:

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Deposit Account Name

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- ☒ The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP

Typed Name	Michael J. Badagliacca	Reg. No.	39,099
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Signature

Date

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